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From: Sam Slack
To: Mike Powell
Date: 4/11/03 12:59PM
Subject: deregulation of media

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From: Sam Slack <sam.slack@worldnet.att.net>
To: <mcopps@fcc.gov>
Sent: Friday, April 11, 2003 12:53 PM
Subject: Ref: deregulation of media

> Dear Commissioner Copps:
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> Please let this e-mail serve as my formal complaint and objection to any
> pending
> FCC rulings which may lift restrictions on mergers between TV broadcast
> networks and the number of local TV or radio stations owned by any one
> company. Such deregulation threatens to further stifle the diversity of
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> responsibilities of the FCC is to promote diversity, which doesn't just
> refer
> to people of color... it refers to many different types of programming. I
> applaud you Commissioner Copps for attempting to draw attention to
> this problem. I, and other Americans as well, are opposed to further
> media
> deregulation. I hope you will act on our behalf to STOP further media
> deregulation.
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> Respectfully yours,
>
> Sam L. Slack
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CC: Kathleen Abernathy, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner Adelstein

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From: Mike Gormley
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, Apr 12, 2003 1:36 PM
Subject: Media Consolidation

The FCCs reported proposal to lift or loosen restrictions limiting further consolidation and cross ownership of the media in the U.S. is anti-democratic. You should promote diversity, competition and localism. **Rules** limiting media consolidation should **be** strengthened not loosened.

Thank you,

Mike Gormley

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From: joyakuus@yahoo.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sun, Apr 13, 2003 10:48 AM
Subject: Protect Children's Television!

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FCC Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein

Dear FCC Commissioner Jonathan S. Adelstein,

The FCC must consider the unique needs of children in its upcoming rulemaking on broadcast ownership rules.

Children consume almost five and a half hours of media per day. Research has shown that media, particularly television, play a unique and powerful role in children's development.

The FCC should consider how further relaxation of media ownership rules would impact children's programming. Deregulation may reduce competition, increase commercialism and result in **less** original programming for children.

Before making any regulatory changes to existing media ownership rules, the FCC must consider how children will be affected.

Sincerely,

Joan Ambo
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cc:
Senator Richard Durbin
Senator Peter Fitzgerald
Representative Jan Schakowsky

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Sent via email to: Commissioner
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Subject: Preserve Media Diversity: Keep the FCC Rulemaking an Open Process

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To: Kathleen Abernathy
Date: Fri. Apr 11, 2003 4:20 PM
Subject: <No Subject>

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To: Michael Copps
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20541

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